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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/530,653
Filing Date	12/22/2000
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Art Unit	1775
Examiner Name	Archene A. Turner
Attorney Docket Number	97P8846US

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a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
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- iii. Other

b. Enclosed

- i. Amendment/Reply
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- iv. Other

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)

b. Other

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